FALL FESTIVAL MINUTES FEBRUARY 25, 2009

Attendance:

Rich LeFeber, Fran & Jacque Patch, Mike & Margaret Palubinski, June Voge, Jason Rowland, Kathy Soderberg, Roy & Barb Carter, Jim Brandenburg, Dan Atkinson, Tom Straub, Les Oldenberg Jr., Ethel Maxworthy. Vietnam Vets - Bob Engstrom and his guest.

Call to Order:

Chairperson Jim Brandenburg called the meeting to order at 7 PM on Feb. 25, 2009.

Approval of the Agenda:

A motion was made by Jason Rowland to approve the agenda as presented - seconded by June Voge - the motion passed unanimously via a voice vote.

Approval of the January 28, 2009 Minutes:

The motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Fran Patch - seconded by Jason Rowland - the motion passed unanimously via a voice vote.

Treasurer's Report:

The report was given by Margaret Palubinski of a balance of \$3228.93. The written report by Margaret is attached to the secretary's minutes.

A motion to approve the report as presented was made by Fran Patch - seconded by Jacque Patch - motion passed unanimously via a voice vote.

Old Business:

Grant:

Tom Straub gave a brief report that the grant information remains the same - we will not apply until 2010. Our project will have to show funds earned towards the project before Alliant will consider the grant.

Memorial Day Service:

The May 24, 2009 service was discussed. We will plan on approximately 100 people with the brunch at about 3:30 - 3:45. The food committee is formed with the chairperson/contact person being Margaret Palubinski. Her committee of June Voge, Barb Carter, Ethel Maxworthy, and Deb Bennett will work out the details and report back to us during our March meeting. The flyer update will be handled by Jim Brandenburg and Deb Bennett. Our speaker will be Larry Correll plus Jim Brandenburg mentioned that he knew of a Brigadier General and a Colonel that with the committee's permission

would give a short talk. The committee gave the "go-ahead" to invite one of the gentlemen to attend the ceremony. The Vietnam Vets who were in attendance at this meeting will take part and give the 3 volley salute. Bob Engstrom will contact the Clinton VFW if they would like to participate also. This event will take place rain or shine - start time is 2 PM.

Flags:

It was mentioned that the flags (6 veterans and 1 American flag) outside the community center were worn and tattered. It would take \$250 to replace them and should be replaced before Memorial Day. Roy and Barb Carter spoke up that they would like to donate the money necessary to purchase these flags. Jim Brandenburg mentioned that this was a very kind gesture on their part and that is what it takes to make our community so worth while.

Events:

Breakfast - Tim Huffman

Breakfast Tickets

Craft Booths - Connie Crouse

Vietnam Vets - Bob Engstrom

National Anthem

Historical Hayride - Les Oldenberg Jr.

Turtle Race - Kris Wood & Les Oldenberg Jr.

Fire & Police Activities - Tim Huffman and Rich LeFeber

Food - set over to next meeting

Pies - Shopiere Church

Ticket Sales - Margaret Palubinski

Beer - Chet? - set over to next meeting

Children's Games - Kathy Soderberg

Silent Auction - Tom Straub - solicitation done by all committee members. Suggestion by Kathy Soderberg to place tickets into item(s) people want rather than "clipboard" bids. We have to evaluate where we would get the most money.

Live Auction - Tom Straub - solicitation done by all committee members.

Children's Live Auction - Dick McFall & John Champlin need to be contacted.

Popcorn - Mike Palubinski

Patch Train - Fran Patch

Jump Machine - Sue Brandenburg

Bonfire - Larry Popanz

Fireworks - Fran Patch - possibly run the quarter hunt (Rich LeFeber & Kris Wood) and hot dogs for children from 5 PM - 6 PM to lead into fireworks and hold the attendance through this period (suggestion by Fran Patch).

Children's Games:

The committee headed up by Kathy Soderberg will decide which games will be initiated.

The choices would be:

Pedal Power - Bill Kutz Basketball Spoon Egg Toss

Pumpkin decorations Fire Truck Rides Smarter than a Fifth Grader (Sue B)

Balloon launch Quarter Hunt Burlap Sack Race Balloon Toss Byerly Balloons Additional Games?

Scavenger Hunt (Ethel Maxworthy)

Support Services:

Advertising - Fran Patch

Tents - Jim Brandenburg

Picnic Tables - ask Bob Lang

Barricades - Rich LeFeber

Wagons (4) - ask Bob Lang

Ticket Office - Margaret Palubinski

Turtles - Chris Wood

Cord Wood - Roy Carter

Ice - Don Jones

Point of Entry Signs - Jim Brandenburg

Funny Money

Start Up Money - Margaret Palubinski

Clean Up - need everyone to assist

Articles for Display - Jim Brandenburg

It was decided we wait until the May or June meeting before allocating money earned towards any specific project. Also it was brought up that the Turtle Community Organization had discussed possibly sharing labor/help for both events. Jim Brandenburg stated he had not been contacted from that committee but thought it was a good idea - we have done this in the past.

Next Meeting - March 25, 2009

Motion to Adjourn - Margaret Palubinski - seconded by Fran Patch - the voice vote was unanimous to adjourn at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Straub

"I've always tried to go a step past wherever people expected me to end up" - Beverly Sills.

"The most common way people give up their power is by thinking they don't have any"- Alice Walker.

"A mistake is simply another way of doing things" -Katharine Graham "It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit" - Harry S. Truman.